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1. EP 1 293 400 A2 (English abstract provided)

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2. GB 2 382 548 A (in English)

3. WO 03/086826 A1 (in English)

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